

Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior

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Cooperative agreement means a cooperative agreement entered into in accordance with section 523(c) of the Act and part 745 of this chapter.

Federal land management agency means a Federal agency having administrative jurisdiction over the surface of Federal lands that are subject to these regulations.

Federal lease bond means the bond or equivalent security required by 43 CFR part 3400 to assure compliance with the terms and conditions of a Federal coal lease.

Federal lessee protection bond means a bond payable to the United States or the State, whichever is applicable, for use and benefit of a permittee or lessee of the surface lands to secure payment of any damages to crops or tangible improvements on Federal lands, pursuant to section 715 of the Act.

Lease terms, conditions and stipulations means all of the standard provisions of a Federal coal lease, including provisions relating to lease duration, fees, rentals, royalties, lease bond, production and recordkeeping requirements, and lessee rights of assignment, extension, renewal, termination and expiration, and site-specific requirements included in Federal coal leases in addition to other terms and conditions which relate to protection of the environment and of human, natural and mineral resources.

Leased Federal coal means coal leased by the United States pursuant to 43 CFR part 3400, except mineral interests in coal on Indian lands.

Mineral Leasing Act or *MLA* means the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, 30 U.S.C. 181, *et seq.*

Mining plan means the plan for mining leased Federal coal required by the Mineral Leasing Act.

Permit application package means a proposal to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations on Federal lands, including an application for a permit, permit revision or permit renewal, all the information required by the Act, this subchapter, the applicable State program, any applicable cooperative agreement and all other applicable laws and regulations including, with respect to leased Federal coal, the Mineral Leasing Act and its implementing regulations.

Regulatory authority means the State regulatory authority pursuant to a cooperative agreement approved under part 745 of this chapter or, in the absence of a cooperative agreement, OSM.

TVA-owned lands means land owned by the United States and entrusted to or managed by the Tennessee Valley Authority.

(b) The following terms shall have meanings as set forth in 43 CFR parts 3400: Exploration; exploration plan; maximum economic recovery; method of operation; mine; and resource recovery and protection plan.

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§ 740.10 Information collection.

(a) In accordance with 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved the information collection requirements of this part. The OMB clearance number is 1029-0027. This information is needed to implement section 523 of the Act, which governs surface coal mining operations on Federal lands. Persons intending to conduct such operations must respond to obtain a benefit.

(b) OSM estimates that the public reporting burden for this part will average 26 hours per respondent, including time spent reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of these information collection requirements, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Information Collection Clearance Officer, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20240; and the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Interior Desk Officer, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20503. Please refer to OMB Control Number 1029-0027 in any correspondence.

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